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## Local Art Group welcomes Newcomers for Creative Feedback and Fun



The call went out in the April 1999 Banar for people who were interested in creating the Blackburn Art Club. "This would be for people who would like to get together to draw and paint without instruction." Today the group still exists with the same mandate and through the years has created a impressive creative community. Some of the originals, including Joseph Fletcher, Dwaine Sykes, Arley Molloy, Jean Levey and Margaret Clyde, are still part of the group. Through the years, they and others have helped as teachers and mentors to new people. The group appreciates that for a few hours approximately every week they can interact with fellow creatives, get feedback and concentrate without the distractions of other "must do" projects at home.

The club is open to others who wish to learn from each other, and meet new people in a relaxed and fun atmosphere. Choice of project is up to you although the one restriction is oil painting because of a lack of clean-up facilities. As Toby says "People are not aware of their artistic abilities because they have probably not

found what works for them. When I was in art class in school I did not enjoy it—we were not allowed to be creative!"

The Blackburn Art Group meets approximately every second Thursday at the Blackburn Community Hall from 1 pm to 4 pm. Members, with their fellow artists, draw, sketch, paint or create each in their own medium. As it was from when the group started, no instruction is given and a very minimal cost involved. Please call Margaret Froelich at 613-824-6503 or Jean Levey at 613-742-0240 for more information. The following dates have been scheduled: November 25th; December 9th & 16th; January 13th/27th; February 10th/24th; March 10th/24th; April 14th/28th and May 12th/26th. On May 26th an open house for the viewing of the group's artwork will be held. Anyone interested in buying local artwork may do so at that time or at any other time. Yes, there are artists and treasures to behold here.



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# President's Message

Change is in the air at the Blackburn Community Association.

It was with regret that the board accepted the resignation of Sarah Cloutier, our director in charge of the 50+ Group and a strong voice for seniors in our community for a decade.

The ever busy Sarah has taken on new commitments that will prevent her from continuing her regular participation on the board, but she will continue to be an active member of our association and a volunteer in our community. Thank you, Sarah for bringing your dedication and enthusiasm to our meetings.

Sarah will continue to serve out her term until the new year, but that means the BCA will now be on the hunt for a senior from our community to fill the vacancy.

The BCA feels strongly that our board of directors reflect our community demographic and that having a senior's perspective on community matters is absolutely necessary.

I strongly urge our seniors to consider taking on this position with the knowledge that having no senior voice on the board is a bleak alternative. We need you to provide that voice.

Anyone who is interested in this, or any of the other director's positions on the board, can obtain more information about the role of a director by contacting myself at llczekaj@yahoo.ca, or 613-282-4139.

Other big changes on our horizon

include a whole new look at how the BCA markets itself. Thanks to the invaluable efforts of two of our directors, Annick and Sheryl, the board will be considering several options for an association logo and overall brand. This may incorporate changes to our website and the Banar in line with the new look. I'll continue to update you on developments on this front.

Prior to the election, the BCA hosted an all-candidates meeting at the Community Hall that was attended by about 100 local residents. The debate was a huge success and a valuable exercise in democracy. All four candidates fielded questions and provided residents with a chance to quiz them on their stances.

Thanks again to everyone who volunteered their time to help in the preparation for the event and to the candidates who attended.

And finally, the BCA sponsored a blood donor clinic held in September at Good Shepherd Catholic School. The clinic held by Canadian Blood Services collected 32 units of blood from 41 donors. In an attempt to overcome my life long fear of needles, I decided to join the ranks of donors and rolled up my sleeve. I promptly fainted during the donation, but not before donating the required amount. My greatest respect to those individuals who regularly donate to this wonderful cause and I encourage anyone who hasn't done it before to take the plunge—if I can do it, anyone can.

*Laura Dudas*



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# Interprovincial Crossing Study Update

by Lorna Little

**On June 29th, the Phase 2A** final report for the interprovincial bridge study was accepted by the NCC. It included a sentence that was added only a few weeks previously. "The Site Study Area also includes land south of OR 174 as needed to construct an interchange and potential connections to St. Joseph Blvd." Common Sense Crossings recommended that the report be rejected until the significance of this addition was understood and proper public consultation completed. However, the report was accepted without debate or change.

Currently, the public doesn't have enough information to understand the significance of this last minute change to the report. If a bridge at corridor 6 connected to St. Joseph,

would it go through the apple orchard? The golf course? Or would the Rockcliffe Parkway be eliminated, with four lanes of truck and commuter traffic connecting directly to the end of Bearbrook Road? Any of these scenarios means vehicles would use Bearbrook, Innes, and St Joseph/Montreal Road as shortcuts to access the bridge. Mauril Belanger, MP for Vanier, and a major opponent to the Kettle Island Bridge is pushing to add a Canotek option. His Canotek vision includes moving the Montreal Road interchange further east, so it can accommodate access to the bridge without the need for a second interchange. That would most likely cut across the Greenbelt and affect Greens Creek and the access to Hwy 174.

Recently, many of those concerned

with the NCC-led Study Team's approach began working together, under an umbrella group known as "Sustainable Solutions/Solutions durables". This group now counts over a dozen community associations and other citizen's groups in Ontario and Quebec who are concerned with the position taken by the NCC. For more information, visit the Sustainable Solutions / Solutions durables website ([www.ssd-ottawa.ca](http://www.ssd-ottawa.ca)). Visit the Common Sense Crossings website ([www.common sensecrossings.com](http://www.common sensecrossings.com)) for the more information on the issue.

If you're concerned about the way the interprovincial bridge study is going and last minute additions being made without public consultation, contact your MP Royal Galipeau and your MPP Phil McNeeley.

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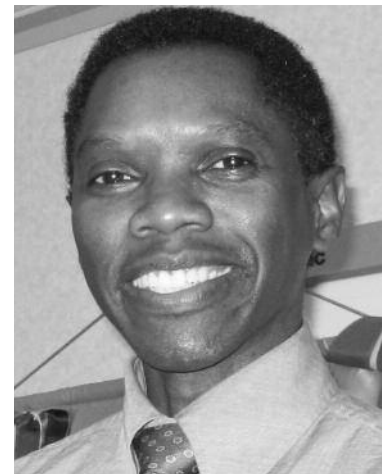
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by Rainer Bloess, City of Ottawa

**As most of you will** no doubt have already observed, our recent **municipal election** has dramatically changed the mix on Ottawa's City Council. The new board has some new members with a wealth of experience, including of course our Mayor, as well as a number of political novices new to municipal politics but eager to learn and make a positive contribution to our City. The immediate challenge for City staff and Council veterans will be to quickly and successfully bring our inexperienced colleagues up to speed to ensure that the momentum that has built up on certain vitally important files is not lost. I look forward to working with this promising and enthusiastic group, and with Mayor Watson, as we head into the always demanding budget process in the coming weeks.

The **voter turnout** for municipal elections is typically low and this year was no exception. It is unfortunate that more of our residents don't take an interest in municipal politics, particularly in view of the fact that municipal issues and decisions have a tremendous impact on our daily lives. City Council plays a direct and significant role in facilitating the daily commute to work, funding and managing the community programs that are available to our children, and planning and overseeing the development of our communities and facilities such as parks and

libraries. To those of you who chose to exercise your right to vote, I offer a sincere **thank you** for expressing your continuing trust and confidence in my efforts by returning me to office with a significant, decisive majority. As always, my pledge is to represent all of you and your interests to the very best of my ability.

There are a number of **issues** I will continue to focus particular attention on in the months ahead. First and foremost, I will continue, as I have in the past, to work to **protect the services and programs** that you have told me are of importance to you and to keep tax and fee increases as low as possible. I believe we must move ahead quickly with our **light rail transit plan** and continue to work to ease commutes and link our east-end neighbourhoods to downtown Ottawa and communities to the west and south. I will also continue to

promote Kettle Island as the best and preferred site for a future **interprovincial bridge** and to support the **Lansdowne Park** redevelopment project for the good of the City and all of its residents. I am proud that our east-end is fast becoming a stand-alone, complete, suburban community and I will continue the effort to revitalize and beautify all of our neighbourhoods including the Orleans core. As our community grows, I believe we must carefully plan and manage **development**, while continuing to protect the Greenbelt.

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## Frostfest Fundraiser

by Mike Murphy

**We, the organizers, are proud** to announce the 1st FROSTFEST fundraiser on Saturday, December 11th at the Blackburn Arms. Local athlete Kevin Frost is a speedskater—a speedskater with a very special kind of vision.

Kevin is one of the fastest speedskaters in Canada, has set world records in many world-level competitions and has won over 14 gold medals. The difference is that Kevin is DEAF and BLIND. Unfortunately, the International Paralympics Committee does NOT recognize deaf-blind speedskating as a sport so Kevin is aiming to compete in the regular Olympics. Read about this amazing humanitarian and athlete at [www.deafblindspeedskater.com](http://www.deafblindspeedskater.com).

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The yoga classes offered through the **Blackburn Hamlet Health Link Resource** will be offered free to women on Monday nights from 6:30-8 pm in the Good Shepherd School Gym. The Health Link classes (through the Eastern Ottawa Resource Centre) are taught by a yoga instructor from Iyengar Yoga Centre in Ottawa. The style of yoga is called Iyengar yoga and will be a beginner's class. More info on this style of yoga is available at [www.iyoga.ca](http://www.iyoga.ca). The classes started October 18th and will continue for 10-12 weeks (end date is undecided). Women are invited to start at any time during the session. Childcare is also available. Please contact Natalie at 613-741-6025 ext. 235 or by email at [Natalie.steele@eorc-gloucester.ca](mailto:Natalie.steele@eorc-gloucester.ca)

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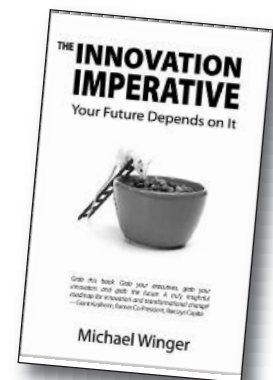
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## Strategic school plans: Input needed

The Ottawa-Carleton District School Board (OCDSB) is renewing its Strategic Plan for 2011-2015. Community associations are important partners to the school district and your input is needed to help the OCDSB board make the right choices about how to deliver programs and services in the coming years. Meetings are scheduled for 7 pm on November 17th (Hampton Inn and Conference Centre, 100 Coventry Road), November 18th (OCDSB Administration Building, 33 Greenbank Road, Nepean), November 30th (Earl of March Secondary School, 4 Parkway, Kanata) and at 1pm on November 30th (Tudor Hall, 3750 North Bowesville Road). A poster outlining the series of public consultation forums is available on the BCA website. Consider attending one of the sessions and sharing this information with the members in your community.

Visit [www.ocdsb.ca](http://www.ocdsb.ca) or email [schools4thefuture@ocdsb.ca](mailto:schools4thefuture@ocdsb.ca) for more information including the on-line discussion forums. You are also welcome to put your thoughts on paper and mail them to: Schools for the Future, OCDSB, 133 Greenbank Road, Ottawa, Ontario.

## Outdoor Rinks: Help needed

Winter is on its way and the three Blackburn outdoor rinks will be opening late December or early January. The Blackburn community boasts three outdoor rink facilities. Two of the rinks (Norman Johnson and Bearbrook) have lights, boards, a puddle rink and a heated skate shack that are monitored evenings and weekends. The third rink (Orient Park) is a large ice surface with end boards.

We are looking for volunteers to assist our existing ice-makers in the late evenings and early mornings with cleaning and flooding the rinks. It takes lots of volunteers to flood the rinks nightly. Our experienced ice-makers will welcome you and show you the ropes—that is the hoses and nozzles and how to make the ice that your kids and family will enjoy skating on this winter. Check out some photos: [www.blackburnhamlet.ca/pictures/banfeb09/pg1.pdf](http://www.blackburnhamlet.ca/pictures/banfeb09/pg1.pdf) [www.ottawa.ca/residents/parks\\_recreation/seasonal/fw/out\\_door\\_rinks/locations\\_en.html](http://www.ottawa.ca/residents/parks_recreation/seasonal/fw/out_door_rinks/locations_en.html)

To volunteer contact Tom Scott at: [tscott56@rogers.com](mailto:tscott56@rogers.com) or 613-834-8661.

Note: BCA also looking to hire rink attendants (page 23)

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by Sarah Dawson

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special events. Most holidays are acknowledged with a special fun day at the Centre.

You and your little ones will not want to miss the **PANCAKE BREAKFAST with SANTA** on Saturday, December 11th with sittings at 8:30 and 10 am. Don't wait—get your tickets now. They can be purchased from the Centre for \$5 per child and \$7 per adult). The Centre can also be rented so you can host your own celebration at the very reasonable price of \$25.00 for the morning or afternoon.

The Welcome Centre is a fabulous resource for parents and caregivers alike. If you have not had a chance to take advantage of this great place, stop by and check it out. There is no charge for your first visit. If you love

it, like we know you will, membership comes at the very reasonable price of \$60.00. There are many advantages including discounts and special programming.

The Children's Welcome Centre is a non-profit charitable organization and is a valuable resource in our community. Presently we have fundraisers in process including having the Entertainment Discount Books for sale. Of course, we would also welcome any donations to help us with our programs.

For details on the Children's Welcome Centre visit [www.childrenswelcomecentre.com](http://www.childrenswelcomecentre.com)

Hope to see you there soon!

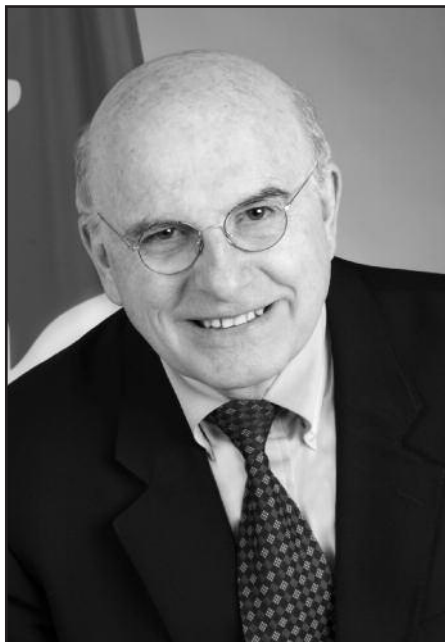


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## Les Guid'Amies de la 4e cie se préparent

par Viviane Côté-Maxwell

Voici une nouvelle année qui commence avec 17 jeunes dont 7 aspirantes qui feront leur promesse le 2 décembre prochain. Nous sommes aussi heureuse d'avoir une nouvelle animatrice, Sonia, qui se joint à l'équipe de Colette, Sophie et Viviane. Le thème de cette année est "ti bout" va loin! Les guid'amies ont trouvé des exemples de ceci avec une goutte d'eau, une graine, une flamme, une personne... Nous avons maintenant nos 4 équipes les Aiglons, Castors, Gazelles et Suisses.

Le Camp d'automne pour les guid'amies sous le thème de CSI s'est déroulé sur l'Île McDonald dans les Milles Îles les 16 et 17 octobre. Des jeux d'observation ont aidé à aiguiser les 5 sens des détectives. La nature était de toute les couleurs et les 10 guid'amies ont aimé se promener sous le soleil dans leur temps libre et en faisant des signes de piste.

Les réunions se déroulent depuis septembre et voici le résumé de Laurence Le Hénaff pour le 14 octobre:

"Ce soir nous avons commencé la réunion avec la prière, puis les guides m'ont fêté puisque demain j'aurai 13 ans,



puis nous avons enchainé avec les jeux de salade de fruits de Sophie. Par la suite nous nous sommes scindées en 2 groupes. De notre côté (3e et 2e année) nous faisons des badges tandis que (1e année) je crois qu'elles se préparaient à faire leur montée. Nous finîmes la réunion avec la prière de fermeture."

Le 28 octobre ce fut la réunion de Hallowe'en avec un parcours hanté chez Eliane Chiasson à Cumberland. Le jeu de Loup-garou a même été joué dehors avec de petites chandelles. Chacune portait un déguisement allant de l'oeuf à la sorcière, le pirate, la punk, le petit chaperon rouge, Alice, le clown... "ti bout" va loin! en effet puisque nous nous préparons à aller en Suisse du 3-16 juillet 2011 afin de continuer les fêtes du 100e anniversaire de la fondation des guides en 1910 et de visiter un des centres mondiaux du guidisme "Notre Chalet" à Adelboden.

En attendant nous passerons la guignolée autour de Westpark le 9 décembre afin d'aider les centres alimentaires. À tous merci et un très Joyeux Noël et à l'an prochain.



*We will be collecting for the food banks around Westpark on December 9th. Have a great Christmas and thank you for your support.*



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# Thank you for your support of the Run for the Cure

by Lynn Sewell

The Blackburn Run for the Cure was again another great success. Thanks to all the individuals and businesses who made it happen. Local businesses were very supportive in contributing money, donations and prizes in service or product for the raffle and silent auction. Kudos to **The Wholesale Outlet** who presented a cheque for \$1,200, a donation from the fashion show they held on October 2nd for the Run. Again, we had amazing support from the **Freedom 55 Financial Team**. Residents of Blackburn and friends who took part and raised the money greatly enjoy the course in Blackburn and the chance to visit before and after the event. It was a super day in all aspects—weather, participants and dollars raised. The event raised \$26,100—the best yet. Over the past 8 years \$143,000 has been contributed to this worthwhile and deserving cause. It has also become a special community event. We look forward to seeing everyone next year on October 1st and to continuing the tradition in Blackburn.



Above: People checking in for the Run. Below: Models at the Fashion Show.



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## Library Programs for all ages

**The fall season is in full swing!** The children are back in school, people have settled back into their daily routines and the days are getting cooler and shorter. It's a great time to discover the Blackburn Hamlet Library. We have books, magazines, DVDs, programs and more for adults, teens and children of all ages!

Our children's programmer, Mandy, will continue to give programs throughout the school year for children 6 years of age and under, as well as for special programs at Christmas, Halloween and March Break for older children. For school age children, Darlynn from the Eastern Ottawa Resource Centre will tutor with the **Bilingual Homework Club** on Monday and Wednesday evenings. As always, parents and their kids are encouraged to visit the information desk and ask about the wonderful databases for homework, projects and book reports.

For adults, the **Round Table Book Chat** meets on the third Monday of the month at 2:00 pm. In November the group will discuss and brainstorm a list of possible titles for the winter and spring. New members are always welcome!

November 15: *Parting the Desert: The Creation of the Suez Canal* by Zachary Karabell.

December 20: *Icebound* by Dean Koontz.

**DVD Swap**  
Saturday, November 27<sup>th</sup>  
at 2:00 pm

The library continues to host a **drop-in knitting group for people of all skill levels** wishing to discuss, give ideas on anything "knit-related", or simply meet new people. The group meets every second Tuesday at 7 pm. Bring your own materials. No registration is required.

**Don't miss the first ever DVD Swap on Saturday, November 27<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 pm!** This is where you get to bring in your previously viewed DVDs and swap them for other patrons' DVDs. All genres are welcome including children's DVDs. Please make sure that DVDs are playable and in good condition. Registration is encouraged but drop-ins are welcome.

**Basic Internet/Email and Library Catalogue Tutorials** continue as well as tutorials on **Booking Your Vacation Online**. Make an appointment by calling 613-824-6926 x 224 or by stopping by the information Desk.

Please contact the library in December for information on winter and spring programming.

*Note: The Ottawa Library would like to thank you for your patience during their computer upgrades. The new website is up and running so if you have any questions or concerns, please speak to staff.*



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**Babytime (bilingual)** – Wednesdays,  
November 10, 17, 24; December 1, 8,  
15. Drop-in: 30 minutes. Ages 0 to  
18 months.

**Toddler time (bilingual)** –  
Thursdays, November 18, 25,  
December 2, 9, 16. Drop-in: 30  
minutes. Ages 18 to 35 months.

Visit the **Interactive Children's Page**  
**(bilingual)** for younger and older  
children on the Library website.

**Gifts of the Season (bilingual)**  
Make a holiday gift for somebody  
special. Saturday, December 4th at 2  
pm. 90 minutes. Ages 6-12.  
Registration required.

**Homework Club (bilingual)**  
Drop-in: Mondays and Wednesdays  
at 6 pm. 2 hours. Ages 7-12

Information on children's  
programming for winter and spring,  
including March Break, will be  
available in December. Registration  
for winter and spring children's  
programming begins on January 5th,  
with the exception of March Break  
programming, which will begin on  
February 9th.

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The group was formed in Ottawa in the summer of 2002. They have their roots in a community choir called Atlantic Voices, the Nfld and Labrador choir of Ottawa. Hannie Fitzgerald recruited musicians from the choir to form a group to entertain the choir at their annual picnic. They had such a ball, they formed a "house band" in the winter of 2005. At that time there were only five members who included Hannie, Marcia, Tom, Wayne, and Andy (Andy Baird has since moved to Nova Scotia). They had, at that time, a limited repertoire but lots of gusto.

Today, the band boasts eight members and has upgraded their instruments to include guitars, fiddles, mandolin, bass, ektar, various woodwinds and tin whistles, accordions, bodhran, ugly stick (celesta) and various percussion



instruments. They have increased their repertoire and have produced two CDs.

There will also be home-baked refreshments, door prizes and lots of free parking. Rothwell is located at 42 Sumac Street in Beacon Hill. Tickets are \$15.00, \$7.00 for children under 12 and are available from Bob (613-833-2685), Bill (613-824-3666) and the church office (613-746-0820). For more information check the Fumblin' Finger's website at [www.fumblinfingers.ca](http://www.fumblinfingers.ca) or [www.rchurch.ca](http://www.rchurch.ca).

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patient needs now and into the future. Since one blood donation can save as many as three people, 96 patients will be touched by your donation. And for someone in need, your blood donation is the difference between life and death. A special thank you to the Blackburn Community Association for their sponsorship of the event, and to all donors who came out to donate! Your donation helps to save lives.

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**Nov. 26:** David Robinson, Ass't Pastor at St. Alban's Church, will speak about the life & thought of poet **W. H. Auden** based on his **Christmas Oratorio**.

**Jan. 28:** Dr. Vince Kazmierski, Ass't Professor in the Dept of Law at Carleton University, who grew up in the Hamlet, will give a talk entitled, 'Law is not just for lawyers.'

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## Captivating talk by Mary Cook well received

The presentation by Ottawa Valley's foremost author and broadcaster Mary Cook was attended by approximately 60 people from across the nation's capital.

Mary's ability to captivate her audience, to draw them into the essence of the story to the point where they find themselves "feeling the emotion of the moment" held everyone present spellbound and reluctant to leave. As can be seen in the photo, she also has an incredible sense of humour and develops a rapport with her audience immediately. Observing the reactions of those in

attendance, it was obvious that everyone enjoyed their time in her presence.

The Anglican parish of St. Mary the Virgin would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who attended. The proceeds of the free will offering will support the Anglican Bishop Ordinary Trust (Chaplaincy to the Canadian Forces).



Pictured above is Garth Hampson with Mary Cook at the Mary's talk.

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# Announcements your friends might want to see

by Evelyn Budd, editor of Banar

Would a page for personal announcements be of interest to the residents of Blackburn? I know I would like to hear about engagements, weddings, anniversaries, graduations, births and death notices (am I missing anything?) of friends in Blackburn and also those who were a part of the community in years past. Blackburn parents and grandparents take notice.

Costs of putting in an announcement is the same as a classified ad or display ad (see page 4 of the Banar, for example, the boxed ads on this page would cost \$50). The cost of an announcements is to be paid by the person sending it in and covers the cost of printing and distribution. Let me know by emailing me at [ev@buddpublishing.com](mailto:ev@buddpublishing.com) or by emailing your notices in. Send in an announcement of a special event that happened in 2010? What a collection that would be for our February issue! Deadline is January 19th.

*Celebrating life!*

## Wanted: Rink Attendants for Blackburn Outdoor Rinks

We are looking to hire rink attendants who are interested in supervising a neighborhood outdoor rink in Blackburn during evenings and weekends starting Boxing Day until the end of February. The main duties include: some snow removal and scraping; monitoring public behaviour and proper use of facilities. Having first aid training is an asset.

If you are interested, please contact Tom Scott at 834-8661 or [tscott56@rogers.com](mailto:tscott56@rogers.com) to obtain an application package. Deadline for application submissions is December 17th.

## Community Announcements

### Births

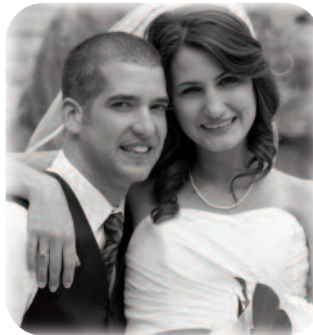
Congratulations to Shauna and Jon Preston on the birth of twin girls, Jamie Rose and Brooke Taylor who were born on October 20th. Proud grandparents are Allan and Arlene West.

### Welcome

Kemplane Court welcomes two new families this past summer! Anthony and Sabrina Rizk and their children Hannah and Amy in June and Carl Flintoff and Brigitte Lehoux in September.



Bryan and Linda were married on the 2nd of October at St. Patrick's Basilica, just before their first year as Blackburn residents came to a close. The Ernsts are looking forward to becoming a part of the community.



*Congratulations Jenn and Jay. What a year! Both of you are celebrating 30 years of living in Blackburn, your marriage on April 10th and becoming bonafide Blackburn homeowners.*

*Much love from parents Frankie and Bob Taylor and Evelyn and Don Budd.*



Rodger and Nancy Cleary of Almonte are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter

**Lisa Cleary to Peter Harrison**

son of June Harrison (Holt) of Ottawa. The wedding will take place October 8, 2011 at the Mill of Kintail in Almonte, Ontario.

## Coming Events

### Rothwell Annual Bake Sale and Lunch

On November 13, 10 am to 1:30 pm visit the annual bake sale and bazaar and stock up for the holidays. There will be baking that includes apple pies and plum puddings as well as a chance to buy a houseplant or two, look over the handiwork, buy a few pocket novels, games, puzzles and books for gifts. Also plan to take a break for a pleasant lunch, served by the Men's Club (freewill offering).

Rothwell United Church is located at 42 Sumac Street. More info visit [www.Rchurch.ca](http://www.Rchurch.ca)

### Coro Vivo Ottawa

Coro Vivo Ottawa (director Antonio Llaca) presents *Meditatus*: Jazz pieces for choir featuring a jazz mass by Norwegian Jan Gunnar Hoff, accompanied by guitar, piano, sax, percussion and double bass. Additional choral works by César A. Carillo and Dave Brubeck will be performed. Friday November 26, at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday November 28 at 2:00 p.m. Orleans United Church 1111 Orleans Blvd. Tickets; adults \$ 20, children 14 and under; free, available at CD Warehouse, Leading Note and Compact Music, or call 613-841-3902. Visit [www.corovivoottawa.ca](http://www.corovivoottawa.ca) for more information.

### St. Mary the Virgin Parish hosts a Christmas Treat

Following on the heels of Mary Cook's successful afternoon of story telling, the "Little Church" will welcome well known harpist Lucille Hildesheim on Sunday, December 19th at 2 pm, with music from her recently completed Christmas CD. Lucille will be joined by one of her students, 12 year old Laura Plourde, daughter of Sonia Deunsch, well known Ottawa keyboard performer and piano teacher.

The "Little Church" is located at 2750 Navan Road (just after the Blackburn bypass). A free-will offering will be taken and Lucille's new Christmas CD will be available should you be doing last minute shopping. They make great stocking stuffers.

### Fall Pottery Sale

The Ottawa Guild of Potters Annual Fall Sale with over 50 potters will display their decorative and functional pieces at the Hellenic Banquet Centre, 1315 Prince of Wales Drive. November 25-28; Thursday 4 pm-10 pm, Friday 10 am-10 pm, Saturday 10 am-6 pm, and Sunday 10 am-5 pm. Admission and parking are free. For more information, please visit [www.ottawaguildofpotters.ca](http://www.ottawaguildofpotters.ca)

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# Blackburn Fifty Plus Events and News

## CHRISTMAS POT LUCK

**DINNER:** Sunday, December 5th at the Blackburn Community Centre. Live entertainment, turkey, tea, coffee and doors prizes will be provide. Bring one of your favorite dishes to share. Reservations are a must for this event. R.S.V.P. to Gladys Kilpatrick 613-824-5096 no later than November 30.

**ALIGHT AT NIGHT:** A group visit to Upper Canada Village December 28th. Over half-a-million lights adorn the heritage buildings, trees and fences of Upper Canada Village—a true winter wonderland!! If you're interested in joining the 50+ Group for this spectacular event, please call Sarah Cloutier for details. Car pooling will be offered so that those who don't drive may also participate.

**PUB NIGHT:** The Blackburn Hamlet Fifty Plus Group meets the fourth Sunday of every month at the Barley Mow Pub on Tenth Line Road (on the west side of Tenth Line, south of Innes Road). Time: 6:00 pm. RSVP to Valerie White at 613-837-1083 if you wish to attend or require further information.

**Next meeting of the Working Group (everyone welcome):** We always meet on the third Wednesday of each month except July, August and December, 2:00 p.m. at the Blackburn Community Centre.

Feeling gratitude without expressing it is like wrapping a gift without offering it.

## Blackburn Hamlet Health Link Resource

Natalie Steele is the Liaison Blackburn Hamlet Health Link Resource and Referral Worker for the Eastern Ottawa Resource Centre. The Blackburn Hamlet Health Link is a program that works with community groups to promote health and well being. The Health Link works in partnership with the Gloucester Housing Corporation and other community groups in order to identify and develop physical health, recreation, sports and healthy lifestyle programs that community members have identified. The goal of the program is to foster and strength relationships in the community.

Natalie attended the 50+ Group meeting on Wednesday, October 20th to explain the work she does and ask if the group had any ideas on how they might use the Resource Centre. Various suggestions were put forward such as holding ethnic cooking classes, foot care clinics, etc.

If you have questions or ideas as to how Natalie might help you or any member of the community (Sarah Cloutier, as the senior representative on the BCA, is always thinking of what might be of benefit to seniors), please feel free to contact her at 613-741-6025 ext. 235 or at Natalie.steele@eorc-gloucester.ca.



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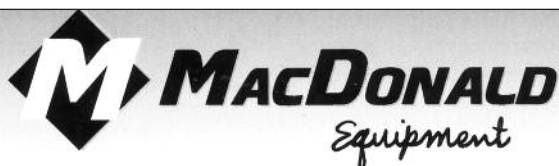
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# Blackburn and Area Community Event Calendar

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St. Mary's!

## Merry Christmas one and all

Please join us in celebrating the birth of Christ at our little church at 2750 Navan Rd. All are always welcome to join us in a celebration of faith and fellowship.

### Christmas Services:

**Christmas Eve** - Fri 24, 7pm  
**Christmas Day** - Sat 25, 10 am  
**Christmas Carol Service** -  
Sun 26, 10 am

### Concert – 2 pm

Sunday December 19  
Harpist Lucille Hildesheim  
at St Mary's Anglican  
Church 2750 Navan Rd  
(See page 24)

### Programs

Craft and Conversation,  
7:00 pm 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays  
at Amica Bearbrook  
(2645 Innes Road)

### Worship Services

#### Sunday

Navan Road Church  
2750 Navan Rd.

Join us any given Sunday at 9 am  
**NOTICE**

**Sunday December 26<sup>th</sup>**  
**Christmas Carol Service**  
at 10 am

#### Midweek

- 1<sup>st</sup> Tues 2 pm Blackburn Lodge
  - Every Tues 2 pm Amica Bearbrook  
(every 3<sup>rd</sup> Tues - Anglican service)
- Dec 21 - 1:15 pm Carols**  
**before the Service at Amica**  
**Bearbrook**

## November (See page 18 for Library events)

All Mondays 6:30 pm Healthlink Yoga – Good Shepherd Gym (See page 13)  
**Tues. 9, 7:00 pm Craft and Conversation – at Amica Bearbrook. All welcome**  
All Tuesdays 7:30 pm Jan's Workout Yoga – Blackburn CommunityCentre (See page 13)  
Thurs. 11, 1-4 pm Blackburn Art Group – Blackburn Community Hall (See page 24)  
Sat 13, 10am-1:30pm Rothwell Annual Bake Sale and Lunch – Rothwell United Church (See page 24)  
Wed. 17, 7 pm OCDSB School Strategic Planning (for location and other dates – See page 14)  
**Tues. 23, 7:00 pm Craft and Conversation – at Amica Bearbrook. All welcome**  
Nov 25-28 Fall Pottery Sale Hellenic Banquet Centre (for times – See page 24)  
Thurs. 25, 1-4 pm Blackburn Art Group – Blackburn Community Hall (See page 24)  
Fri 26, 7 pm Fumblin' Fingers Concert – Rothwell United Church (See page 20)  
Fri 26, 7:30 pm Coro Vio Concert – Orleans United Church (See page 24)  
Sat 27, 2 pm Blackburn Library – DVD Swap (See page 18)  
Sun 28, 7:30 pm Coro Vio Concert – Orleans United Church (See page 24)  
Sun 28 6 pm 50+ Group – Pub Night – Barley Mow Pub – fourth Sunday of every month (See page 25)

## December (See page 18 for Library events)

All Mondays 6:30 pm Healthlink Yoga – Good Shepherd Gym (See page 13)  
All Tuesdays 7:30 pm Jan's Workout Yoga – Blackburn CommunityCentre (See page 13)  
Fri. 3, 5 – 8:30pm Donate Blood – Ecole Elementaire Publique Le Prelude (See page 21)  
Sun 5, 50+ Group Christmas Potluck Dinner – Blackburn Hamlet Community Centre (See page 25)  
Thurs. 9, 1 – 4pm Blackburn Art Group – Blackburn Community Hall (See page 24)  
Thurs. 9 Les Guides collecting for the food banks around Westpark (See page 16)  
Sat 11 FrostFest Fundraiser – The Blackburn Arms (See page 11)  
Sat 11, 8:30 , 10am Children's Welcome Centre Pancake Breakfast with SANTA (See page 15)  
**Tues. 14, 7:00 Craft and Conversation – at Amica Bearbrook. All welcome**  
Thurs 16, 1 – 4pm Blackburn Art Group – Blackburn Community Hall (See page 24)  
**Sun 19, 2 pm Harpist Lucille Hildesheim at St Mary's Anglican Church 2750 Navan Rd (See page 24)**  
**Tues. 21, 1:15 pm Carole Sing with String ensemble – before 2pm service at Amica Bearbrook**  
**Fri 24, 7pm Christmas Eve Service at St Mary's Anglican Church 2750 Navan Rd, All welcome**  
**Sat 25, 10 am Christmas Day Service at St Mary's Anglican Church 2750 Navan Rd, All welcome**  
**Sun 26, 10 am Christmas Carole Service at St Mary's Anglican Church 2750 Navan Rd, All welcome**  
Sun 26, 6pm 50+ Group – Pub Night – Barley Mow Pub – fourth Sunday of every month (See page 25)  
Tues. 28, 50+ Group Alight at Night – Upper Canada Village (See page 25)  
**Tues. 28, 7pm Craft and Conversation – at Amica Bearbrook. All welcome**

### Christmas Shoeboxes – Donation deadline Nov 28, 2010

What is a Christmas Shoebox? It is the collection and distribution of shoeboxes full of miscellaneous items to those in need. More importantly, it is the giving of a bit of hope to so many who have so little.

Every year the Churches of various denominations in Ottawa, across Canada and around the world collect shoe boxes filled with anything from children's toys to toiletries, to hats and socks. These boxes go to men, women, children or families in need across the world or across the street.

The parish of Saint Mary the Virgin collects shoeboxes for the Community Ministries of the Anglican Diocese of Ottawa, specifically Centre 454 and the Well. These are both right here in Ottawa. We will then take them to Centre 454 (<http://ottawa.anglican.ca/centre.shtml>) and The Well ([www.the-well.ca](http://www.the-well.ca)) for distribution at their Christmas Dinners.

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